United Presbyterian Church
Bloomington, Indiana
Christ's People for the World

25th Sunday After Pentecost
November 15, 2026 10:00am

Welcome and Announcements — Elder Allen Pease

Prelude — Benjamin Watkins, piano

Call to Worship — Stephanie Worden, Liturgist

Liturgist: O sing to the Lord a new song,
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
People: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name.
Tell of God's salvation from day to day.
Liturgist: Declare God's glory among the nations,
God's marvelous works among all the peoples.
People: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

Opening Hymn № 288 * "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Call to Confession — Liturgist

In penitence and faith, let us confess our sin before God and one another

Prayer of Confession (together w/ Liturgist)

Gracious and Holy God,
whose mercy comes fresh every morning:
we confess to you our faithlessness,
our lack of trust in your promises,
our lack of hope in your reign.
Forgive us our sins and free us from our fears,
that we may serve you with joy and confidence,
offering ourselves as instruments of your providing love.
In the strong name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

– all pray in silence

Assurance of Pardon — Liturgist and People

Liturgist: God meets us in Jesus Christ,
with a love that knows no end, and a peace that passes understanding.
Sisters and brothers, in Christ we are forgiven!
People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Gloria Patri № 579 *

* *You are invited to stand in body and/or in spirit*

The Peace of Christ *

Liturgist: The Peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.
Liturgist: Rejoicing in our differences, we come together as one.
Let us share this peace with one another.

Music for Meditation — Benjamin, Members of UPC Quartet

Prayer for Illumination — Liturgist

Gracious and Holy God: Give us diligence to seek Thee, wisdom to perceive Thee, eyes to behold Thee, a heart to meditate upon Thee, and a life to proclaim Thee; though Christ our Lord. Amen.

New Testament Lesson — 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 — Liturgist

Gospel Lesson — Mark 2:1-12 — Rev. Susan McGhee

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon — "Through the Roof" — Rev. McGhee

Hymn of Response № * 335 — "Though I May Speak"

Affirmation of Faith (from "A Brief Statement of Faith"), led by Rev. McGhee

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.
In a broken and fearful world,
the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ, as Lord and Savior,
to unmasked idolatries in church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others, for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying,
"Come, Lord Jesus!"
With believers in every time in place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer — Rev. McGhee

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering — Rev. McGhee

Offertory

The Doxology № 592 *

Prayer of Dedication — Rev. McGhee

Closing Hymn № 438 * "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Charge and Benediction * — Rev. McGhee

Postlude — Benjamin Watkins, piano

UPC Prayer Partners - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com

Robby Troy Kathleen Seth

& Troy Hill, Andy's father

His Eyes in Honduras Nyaka Global in Uganda Pantry 279

All people who are suffering from armed conflict

Lexington Presbyterian Church, led by **Rev. Aaron Flucke**, is a Christ-centered, Spirit-filled, vibrant, growing community of faith. Our Church was organized in 1818 by a group of Scotch-Irish Presbyterian families. In 1819 Rev. John M. Dickey was installed as the first minister. By 1844 the Church had been relocated and rebuilt on the square in Lexington, IN. Since that time, the Church has had a long and rich history. It has stood as a light in the community and as a testament to God's saving grace.

At Lexington Presbyterian, we seek to love our community and our world in a variety of ways. We actively support the Scott County Community Clearinghouse. We give yearly to Operation Christmas Child and Heifer International. We also provide financial support for an organization called Amigos for Christ that helps rural villages in Nicaragua install a clean water supply. We also support an organization called Centerstone which has a facility in Lexington at the Englishton Park property, a property under care of the Synod. This facility helps women who are battling addiction and living in dangerous environments. Each year we make sure all of the incoming Kindergarten students at Lexington Elementary School start off the school year on the right foot, with new shoes and a new bible.

Continue to pray with us as we work to reach the lost, hurting and broken people in our community. We would greatly appreciate your prayers as we seek to be a light for Christ in those dark places.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Pantry 279 is providing Thanksgiving dinner boxes for families in need. They need to fill those boxes as well as everyday food items. We'll be collecting food items in our little red wagon.



Thanksgiving: Canned yams, can openers, deserts (pie filling, pudding, cake mix,), cranberry sauce, gravy packets, stuffing, green beans, corn, jiffy cornbread mix, cream of mushroom soup, mac 'n cheese, spices, salt & pepper shakers.

Everyday items: Pasta, pasta sauce, canned meats & beans, soups, ramen, rice dishes like Knorr noodles or rice-a-roni, oatmeal, baking items, sugar, peanut butter.



The UPC Worship Team

Invite You to the

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

And

Dessert Auction

to benefit UPC's Music Program!

Wednesday, December 9 6–8 p. m. Fellowship Hall

Tossed Salad!
Spaghetti with Marinara! Spaghetti with Meat Sauce!
Fettuccine Alfredo!
Garlic Bread! Homemade Desserts!
Coffee! Tea! Milk!



Celebrity Chefs!
Christian Ed Director Melanie Mathis-McBride
Elder Darian McBride
Music Director Benjamin Watkins

Celebrity Auctioneers!
Deacon Fadi Haddad
Elder Souheil Haddad



If you'd like to donate a homemade dessert,
See Allen or Melanie!

$10 for adults $5 for children 10 and under

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